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IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows.

1. (Withdrawn) A support device adapted to support structures, the support device comprising:

a support structure having a top surface and a bottom surface, the bottom surface for resting on a surface, wherein the support structure comprises a pliable support structure;

a substantially rigid plate structure, the plate structure disposed on the top surface and coupled with the support structure; and

at least one elongate strut disposed on the plate structure, where the elongate strut is coupled to the plate structure.

- 2. (Withdrawn) The support device as recited in claim 1, the support structure having a recess therein, and a portion of the substantially rigid plate structure is disposed within the recess.
- 3. (Withdrawn) The support device as recited in claim 1, wherein the support structure is formed of foam.
- 4. (Withdrawn) The support device as recited in claim 1, wherein the substantially rigid plate structure is formed of plastic.
- 5. (Withdrawn) The support device as recited in claim 1, wherein the substantially rigid plate structure is formed of metal.

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6. (Currently Amended) A support device adapted to support structures, the support device comprising:

a support structure, the support structure having a top surface, a bottom surface, and side surfaces, the bottom surface for resting on a surface, wherein the support structure comprises a pliable support structure; <u>and</u>

a plate structure, at least a portion of the plate structure disposed over the top surface and [[over]] onto at least a portion of the side surfaces, the plate structure being coupled with the support structure, with at least one elongate coupling member associated with the plate structure.

- 7. (Original) The support device as recited in claim 6, wherein the plate structure is a substantially rigid plate structure.
- 8. (Previously Presented) The support device as recited in claim 6, wherein the plate structure includes plastic.
- 9. (Previously Presented) The support device as recited in claim 6, wherein the plate structure includes metal.
- 10. (Previously Presented) The support device as recited in claim 6, wherein the plate structure includes HDPE.
- 11. (Original) The support device as recited in claim 6, further comprising a fastener that fastens the plate structure with the support structure.
- 12. (Currently Amended) The support device as recited in claim 6, wherein [[thc]] at least one elongate strut is defined by the plate structure.

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13. (Currently Amended) The support device as recited in claim 6, wherein the plate structure is coupled to the at least one elongate strut the support structure.

14. (Currently Amended) A support device adapted to support structures, the support device comprising:

a support structure, the support structure having a top surface and a bottom surface and side surfaces, the bottom surface for resting on a surface, wherein the support structure comprises a pliable support structure; and

a plate structure, at least a portion of the plate structure disposed on the top surface and extending over <u>and onto least a portion of</u> the side surfaces, the plate structure being coupled with the support structure, the plate structure including at least one elongate strut.

- 15. (Previously Presented) The support device as recited in claim 14, wherein the elongate strut includes a channel shaped cross section with a bottom strut surface, a first strut side surface, and a second strut side surface, with a first strut lip extending along the first strut side surface and oriented approximately parallel to the bottom strut surface, and a second strut lip extending along the second strut side surface and oriented approximately parallel to the bottom strut surface.
- 16. (Previously Presented) The support device as recited in claim 14, wherein the support structure includes foam.
- 17. (Previously Presented) The support device as recited in claim 14, wherein the plate structure includes plastic.
- 18. (Previously Presented) The support device as recited in claim 14, wherein the plate structure includes metal.

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19. (Previously Presented) The support device as recited in claim 14, further comprising a fastener at least partially disposed between the support plate and the support structure.

- 20. (Original) The support device as recited in claim 19, wherein the fastener includes adhesive.
- 21. (Previously Presented) The support device as recited in claim 14, wherein the elongate strut is defined by the plate structure.
- 22. (Withdrawn) The support device as recited in claim 14, further comprising means for adjusting elevation of the elongate structure.
- 23. (Withdrawn) The support device as recited in claim 14, further comprising one or more elevational assemblies coupled with the support device.
- 24. (Withdrawn) The support device as recited in claim 23, wherein the elevation assemblies include elevating members hingedly coupled with a portion of the elevational assembly.

Claims 25-28. (Canceled)

- 29. (Previously Presented) The support device as recited in claim 6, wherein the support structure includes foam.
- 30. (Canceled)
- 31. (Previously Presented) The support device as recited in claim 6, wherein the support structure has a recess therein.

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32. (Previously Presented) The support device as recited in claim 31, wherein a portion of the plate structure is disposed within the recess.

- 33. (Previously Presented) The support device as recited in claim 6, wherein the plate structure includes sheet metal.
- 34. (Previously Presented) The support device as recited in claim 6, further comprising a fastener at least partially disposed between the plate structure and the support structure.
- 35. (New) The support device as recited in claim 12, wherein the elongate strut has an approximately rectangular cross section, the cross section taken orthogonal to the a length of the elongate strut.